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Tom L. Johnson does not want to be a United States senator from Ohio. Of course not. Senator Hanna is to succeed himself.

The San Francisco mint is to begin the coining of silver dollars. Yet Bryan will continue to shout that silver ought to be given a chance.

An Indiana banker has been fined \$218 for receiving deposits after his bank was insolvent. That was a case where the punishment was a misfit for the crime.

It appears that Mr. Cleveland is writing his memoirs. Measured by the acridipolis standard, this will probably be the weightiest literary work of the year.

Peru has adopted the gold standard. Her idea being that a dollar which is a dollar should be worth 100 cents. Peru has simply caught up with the procession—that's all.

Henry George declares that he is a democrat, and the best proof of his claim is that he is a free trader. Mr. George ought to realize that this is a protectionist year.

There are more men at work in the Colorado gold and silver mines today than ever before. That is how the defeat of Bryanism has ruined the industries of the centennial state.

Senator Gorman is going up from Maryland to help Tammany. Whenever they begin to call in horse doctors from the outside it is a sign that the patient is in a mighty bad way.

For the last time Tom Watson of Georgia announces that he is out of politics. None but a blind man can look at the situation without realizing that Watson knows what he is talking about.

A boy in New York became insane because he could not obtain admission to a public school. If he had been smart he could have made an exchange with a boy who did not want to go to school.

Senator Thurston of Nebraska, who has just completed an extended campaign tour in Ohio, says the people back there never mention the free coinage issue. They seem to have laughed the thing to death.

We stop the press to announce that the tax-ridden Courier is still giving its overtaxed brain in the vain effort to tax the untaxed taxless.

In some parts of Michigan fires, sweeping through forests and fields, have roasted the potatoes still in the ground. This probably would never have happened had Pingree remained at home attending to business.

While drinking water is selling for five cents a pint in some parts of Arkansas, Chicago is reveling in a brewer's war and the consequent deluge of free beer. It is strange how unevenly luck is distributed at times.

The Republican is receiving on an average six letters daily from people in different parts of the United States who have read George H. Smalley's letters to this paper and want to know more about the Yaqui country. Mr. Smalley will keep The Republican posted concerning the Yaqui. A word to the wise, etc.

Among the strike news of the week is a story of a hundred and seventy-five men throwing up their jobs because one of their associates was discharged for kissing a female employee, and an account of some window glass workers who have struck because their employers insist upon paying them higher wages than the "union schedule" allows. Great is the wisdom of organized labor!

THE MONEY ORDER SYSTEM.

The extension of the postal money order system, if carried out with the degree of good judgment that may be expected of the department, will find approval as a popular movement on the part of the administration. There is nothing of politics in this matter; it is simply business, and it looks to providing business facilities for a great many people who do not enjoy them at present.

The postal money order is the poor man's bank check. Those who are so fortunate as to keep a bank account are few indeed compared with the others; yet the facilities which the banks offer are often needed by many whose financial dealings are small and who cannot avail themselves of the services of banking corporations. For these the government acts as banker, exacting a fee so small as to be merely nominal, although large enough in the aggregate to produce a substantial revenue.

In this system the government does not enter into rivalry with private enterprise at any point, while supplying a great public accommodation. If, as the general superintendent is quoted as saying, the cost of maintaining a money order office is only five cents a year—a statement which is astonishing—there would seem to be no reason why the service should not be made practically universal.

GOLD.

Between three and four millions in gold came into the United States from Europe last week. It has been coming in right along, and more is on the way. It is the return for what the United States has sent abroad, for the wheat and corn and iron of our fields and furnaces. It is one of the evidences of a generally prosperous condition on this side of the Atlantic.

The national treasury at Washington is sufficed with gold and the mint at San Francisco is coining it by the millions each week. The government does not care to take gold deposits from the banks in exchange for its paper money; in fact, it is ready to reverse the process. And all the time, under the inspiration of the Alaska boom, people are finding gold mines all over the country. These be golden days, indeed.

The Jerome Mining News makes the following pertinent remarks relative to the popocratic outcry against railroads in Arizona:

"Why call the railroads 'taxless'? Every mile bullded, every train pulled over every mile, every dollar paid to every employee, is a defolful tax upon the growing purses of the stockholders. Is there any record of a bona fide dividend ever having been paid by any railroad between the Missouri river and the Tehachapi mountains? Perhaps these howlers and ranters would like to go back to the days of the bull teams and ten cents a pound freight. If so, tax the railroads and chill the boilers of every locomotive in Arizona. Railroads in this sparsely settled country cannot bear the burdens imposed upon lines like the Pennsylvania system, the Baltimore & Ohio, the Nickel Plate, and Vanderbilt roads. There is practically no local traffic. They depend upon through business. Railroads are necessary to develop the country, and instead of being victimized by cinch legislation, and made the objects of vituperative attacks, they should receive the helpful encouragement of every one who has at heart the best interests and welfare of Arizona.

THIS BUSY WORLD.

It is estimated that the value of France's 1896 vintage is about \$235,000,000.

Chinese attending Christian missions in Philadelphia have organized a Christian Endeavor society.

A relic hunter stole the chair on which President McKinley sat while reviewing the Grand Army parade in Buffalo recently.

In ten years the school attendance in Buffalo has more than doubled, although the population has not increased in any such proportion.

It is estimated that more than 75,000 fishermen go out of New York every Sunday and that they spend on an average of \$2 each on the sport.

A number of Roman graves have recently been laid bare at Cologne. The place has been secured from spoliation by an extensive enclosure.

A determined Bath (Me.) woman in order to comply with the ordinance requiring a light scorching down street one evening with a big lantern lashed to her handle bars.

Cigarette smokers will be interested to learn that a criminal gilliflownd at Lisle the other day contrived to keep his papillito going until his head rolled in o the basket.

Adison, Me., is famous for its dke marshes, which for many years have been a source of income to its people. The estimate crop of hay yielded by these lands this season is 450 tons.

In London the omnibus horse is worn out in five years, the tram horse in four, the postoffice horse in six and the brewers' in from six to seven, while the vestry horse lasts eight years.

An electric locomotive in a Canadian coal mine shows a saving over mules of \$2,528 in 200 days, and an electric pump in the same mine shows a saving over steam pumps of \$1,573 in 370 days.

The Italian who carries the mail about between Middle Haddam and Moodus, Conn., walks about twenty-five miles a day, 150 miles a week, about 8,000 miles a year, for a compensation of less than \$100 a year.

Fifteen Rowena Victoria Diamond Jubilee Vagg and Queen Victoria Williams are the names to which two little English girls are condemned until marriage on account of the recent celebration in England.

"When the little girl is naughty," says Miss Jessie M. Fowler, giving a mother directions for curing her small daughter's bad temper, "put on her best gown, and you will see that she can not withstand its influence."

POINTS ABOUT PEOPLE.

The grandson of the late General Benjamin F. Butler is a candidate for the legislature in Lowell, Mass.

Palmer Cox is said to have found the originals of his famous Brownies in some old Scotch traditions which tell of little brown folks, all of the male sex, whose great misfortune was that of helping the human race.

The duke of Fife often fishes with the duchess, but his favorite sport is shooting. There is not a keeper on the estate who can beat the duke on a "shot." Thousands of deer roam the hills about his estate, and the duke is a famous "stalker."

Judge Jacob B. Blair, who was recently appointed surveyor general of Utah, was at one time Bill Nye's most intimate friend, and helped him start his famous paper, the Boomerang. Judge Blair was twice elected to congress from West Virginia.

The duchess of York found herself the central figure of a novel group at Tralee. It was a girl guard of honor, a number of maidens having volunteered to protect her royal person. Also there were several tastefully dressed children, who strewed flowers before her royal highness.

Dr. Paul Magnus, one of the most noted botanists in the world and the greatest authority on systematic botany, is a guest of Professor W. A. Setchell of the botanical department of the University of California. He is on his way home to Germany, but will complete a tour of the United States before returning.

Moscow, in honor of the medical congress just held there, gave \$1,000 for a prize to be awarded to some person who has done eminent service to medical science during his generation. On Professor Virehow's motion the prize was given by the congress to Henri Dumant, founder of the Red Cross Society, who is living in great poverty in Switzerland.

Canon Gore of Westminster, now in this country by invitation of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, will take a prominent part in the convention of the brotherhood to be held in Buffalo, October 13 to 17. Canon Gore became famous some years ago as the editor of a volume of theological essays entitled "Lux Mundi," which gave rise to much theological discussion.

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